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Dear Friends in the M-G Lab.:

Thank you very much for seeing me off at the station when I left Madison. It was really an impressive moment in my life. When all of you were getting apart from the train, I felt a kind of loneliness intermixed with a delight for my forthcoming journey.

The way to London was nice and pleasant. The Niagara Fall crushed me with her grand scale. In Boston Museum, I was amused at a large number of the Japanese arts which I could not see in original in Japan. At New Haven, I spent mostly with Dr. Bonner and the people in his lab. Dr. Ryan kindly allowed me to stay his house during my stay in New York. In return (?), I gave a seminar in his lab. His beard reminded me of the pioneering people in the U. S. A. (Is he bearded because he is a pioneer in microbial genetics? I missed to ask him.). I took a picture for Esther. I will send it to you as soon as I will develop the film.

The weather during the flight from New York to London was fine until the plane got close to London, where it was rainy and windy. Dr. Stocker came to the air-terminal to meet me. He had reserved a room for me at CIBA Foundation and I could stay there a week. Fortunately, I could soon find a room for rent at a place about fifteen minutes on foot from the Lister Institute. The house is very close to Dr. Stocker's.


In the lab, I started the isolation and the analysis of temperature mutants of Fla. The first high-temperature motile (at 44C where the original type loses the ability to produce flagella and becomes almost non-motile) mutant was obtained from TM2 yesterday. The preliminary study of the subdivision of H₁ is ~~is~~ going on, using f,g,m--- group. It is on a stage of the single factor preparation by absorption.

In the town, many attractive places keep me busy during week ends. British money counting system still confuses me. Formality is diffused into every corners of the streets. It contrasts with the atmosphere in Madison and other cities in the U. S. A.; seems more like that in pre-war Tokyo.

Thank you for sending me two copies of the bound thesis which I received yesterday.

Please present best wishes to Dr. Crow and the people in the neighboring lab.

Sincerely yours


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